

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ASSESSMENT OF FOODGRAIN
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have conducted any review keeping in view the adverse effect of drought in many States of the country on the foodgrain production;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to assess the estimated foodgrain production?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) & (b): The production prospects of various crops including foodgrains are continuously reviewed in the Ministry of Agriculture and remedial measures are taken as and when required. It is correct that certain parts of the country were affected, during 1999-2000, by adverse agro-climatic conditions. Despite these adverse agro-climatic conditions, the country is expected to achieve an all time record production of 205.91 million tonnes of foodgrains.

(c): Does not arise.